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ATTEMPTED ASSAULT ON WHITE
WOMAN STARTS NEAR RACE
RIOT AT GREELEY.

THE ASSAILANT ESCAPES

ARMED MEN GO IN QUEST OF HIM
AND SEVERAL NEGROES ARE
SHOT TO DEATH.

(International News Service.)
Birmingham, Jan. 5.—Three negroes have been shot and killed and five are said to have been wounded as a result of an attempted criminal assault on Mrs. William Taft, who resides near Greeley, according to news received here this afternoon.
According to the report here, a negro entered the back door of Mrs. Taft's residence and attacked her. She screamed and rushed from the house. Her father, who resides nearby, and others, came to her aid. The negro ran out of the house and escaped. Reports reaching here say the negro was captured at Ripley, but escaped from the posse. A number of shots were fired, but failed to stop him. Several negroes have been organized and a search has been started.
A negro believed to have been the man wanted was located near Woodstock. He attempted to resist and was shot to death. Another posse attempted to arrest a negro near Tannehill and following resistance, shot and killed him. It is reported a third negro was shot and killed near Chambliss, by another posse. The report that five other negroes had been killed following the crime was received here, but no details were obtainable. Excitement still is intense and further trouble is feared.

Reports to Be Heard By Railroad Chiefs

(International News Service.)
Chicago, Jan. 5.—A meeting of 640 grievance chairmen of the railroad employees of the country announced in Kansas City today as having been called for Jan. 11 at Chicago, is merely for the purpose of hearing the reports of the four executive heads of the brotherhoods, it was announced here today.

11 DEAD IN PATH OF GREAT STORM

TORNADO SWEEPS LARGE SECTION OF OKLAHOMA, DEALING DEATH AND DESTRUCTION.

(International News Service.)
Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 5.—With a list of known dead standing at 11, all school children, fears were entertained today that the number of victims would be increased when communication is restored with the region devastated by yesterday's tornado.
Rescuers in automobiles, who started from various points to the afflicted district, have not returned with authentic news of the damage. The tornado, one of the most disastrous in the history of Oklahoma, swept clean everything in a four-mile path. Four more deaths today brought the number of victims in the tornado to fifteen. Eight persons were seriously injured.

FIGHTING DEVELOPING AGAIN WITH VILLISTAS.

(International News Service.)
El Paso, Jan. 5.—Fighting between Villista and Carranza forces was continued south of Chihuahua City today and many more wounded Carranza soldiers were brought into the Carranza stronghold.
Military and federal agents here have reports that the battle is favoring the Villistas.
Despite denials issued by Hippolite Villa, Gen. Bell today reiterated his statement that Villa leaders are not holding a conference at San Antonio to plan a civil government in northern Mexico.

OFFICIALS' NAMES ARE MENTIONED IN CONNECTION WITH PEACE NOTE LEAK

REP. WOOD TELLS OF REPORTED
CONFERENCES BETWEEN
TUMULTY AND BROKER.

WITNESS IS A SENSATION

CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY IS DEMANDED BEFORE THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE TODAY.

(International News Service.)
Washington, Jan. 5.—The promised names of those "high in official life" and "relatives of those high in official life," were brought startlingly into limelight today when Representative Wood of Indiana, demanded a congressional investigation of the alleged "leaks" on the Wilson peace note and repeated to the house rules committee reports that have reached him.
Though he emphasized the fact that all the information he had was merely hearsay and was used only to impress upon the committee the necessity of an investigation, Representative Wood sprung one sensation after another while a witness before the committee.
The names of Joseph Tumulty, secretary to President Wilson; F. H. Bolling, brother of Mrs. Wilson; Barney Baruch, New York broker, and Otto H. Kahn, of Kuehn, Loeb & Co., New York, were mentioned, one after another, in connection with those Mr. Wood had been informed profited by a "leak" of information.
Mr. Wood said he "heard" Mr. Tumulty had conferred with Barney Baruch in New York at the time when information on the president's note would have been most valuable. Mr. Tumulty issued a denial of the report as soon as it reached his ears.
The first action of the rules committee was to adopt a resolution calling upon the New York stock exchange and several brokers for a record of all their transactions from Dec. 10 to Dec. 23. Later the committee voted to subpoena as a witness Barney Baruch and A. Curtis, a New York broker, who wrote Mr. Wood regarding reported alleged conferences between Tumulty and Baruch before the Wilson note became public property.
Representative Campbell, of Kansas, member of the committee, suggested that Secretary Lansing and Mr. Tumulty be compelled to appear before the committee. He withdrew this suggestion later but said he would renew it.

Roll Call Sunday First Presbyterian

Sunday, January 7, will be observed as roll call day at the First Presbyterian church. At the regular morning service the clerk of the session, Dr. W. H. Long, will call the roll of the entire church membership and it is earnestly hoped that each member will be present to answer to his name. The calling of the roll will be followed by the observance of the Lord's Supper. This is the first service of the New Year, and we trust that all our members will avail themselves of this opportunity to make a good beginning.
W. N. Sholl, pastor.

Transport is Sunk: 153 Lives Are Lost

(International News Service.)
London, Jan. 5.—The destruction of the transport Ivernia in the Mediterranean sea on January 1 with the loss of 153 lives, was officially reported by the admiralty. The liner was sunk near the sea lane that leads to the great British naval base of the island and the admiralty calls it a caution to the daring with y. Look man submarines are in these waters.
My kind of quick.

CENTRAL FORCES PRESSING FORWARD THREATEN TO SEVER MAIN LINE ROAD

ONLY FIVE MILES NOW FROM
RAILWAY LEADING TO
FOKSHANI.

CITY WOULD BE SURROUNDED

GERMANS REACH SERETH RIVER, CHIEF DEFENSIVE POINT OF RUSS IN MACEDONIA.

(International News Service.)
The world today began to witness what may be Russia's final effort to save what little of Roumania that remains unconquered and at the same time protect Russia's 1,000-mile battle line. From the Battle to Dvinsk, the Russians have begun an offensive movement in what is probably an attempt to prevent the Germans from concluding their smashing campaign in the Carpathians and Roumania.
Berlin, Jan. 5.—German and Austro-Hungarian troops have pushed forward to a point only five miles from the railroad that runs northward of Fokshani and are on the point of cutting this important line of communication.
The Teutonic allies have reached Odobesht, which is but seven miles west of the railway line that runs from Ploeshti through Duzerianik and moldavia.
If the Germans cut the main line, Fokshani would be surrounded on three sides and its evacuation by the Russian defenders would be made imperative. The Germans have reached the Sereth river, the chief defensive line of the Russians in Moldavia.

ALLIED TRENCHES ARE PIERCED BY GERMANS.

(International News Service.)
Berlin, Jan. 5.—Four lines of allied trenches east of Loos were penetrated by a detachment of German troops, the war office announced today.
After destroying offensive works the Germans retired with 51 prisoners. Bad weather hinders artillery activity on the western front.

RUSSIANS OPEN ANOTHER OFFENSIVE: BATTLE DEVELOPS

(International News Service.)
Berlin, Jan. 5.—Russian troops have launched an offensive along the northern end of the western front, and a big battle has developed. Northwest of Dvinsk the Russians delivered four assaults, but all were repulsed, the war office announced.

ROMANIAN POSITIONS TAKEN BY GERMANS.

Berlin, Jan. 5.—The Russo-Romanian bridge head position of Braila has been pierced by the German allies, the war office reported today.
The Roumanian town of Slobozia in Wallachia, which has been holding out for weeks, has been taken by the Teutonic allies after hand to hand fighting.

FRENCH EXPECT BIG OFFENSIVE BY TEUTONS.

(International News Service.)
Paris, Jan. 5.—French military experts predict that the Germans are preparing to launch a big offensive somewhere on the western front next month. The war critics of both the Temps and Figaro look for a bigger drive. It is generally believed the offensive, if it develops, will be made at some point on the southeastern end of the front.

More Than Thousand Collected in Fines

More than one thousand dollars in Uncle Sam's coin was collected via the fine route in the Decatur police court last month, according to the report of Chief of Police Carriger, made public today. To be exact—just \$1,014.30 found the way into the municipality's coffers as a result of the police activity and Mayor Nelson's "morning sessions" in December.
According to City Clerk Collier, who has been connected with Decatur in an official way many years, December was the most lucrative in years.

READY FOR THE WINTER FIGHTING



This typical "poin," as the French private is known among his countrymen, is shown in full winter equipment. The photograph was made on the Verdun front, where thousands and thousands of this type are battling with the Germans despite the inclement weather.

SEVEN BIG LINERS GIVEN UP AS LOST

(International News Service.)
New York, Jan. 5.—Seven big Atlantic freight steamers carrying munitions to the allied governments were given up for lost by maritime men today. All are long overdue at their destinations. Whether they have been sunk by submarines or captured by German commerce raiders, known to be operating in the Atlantic, is a matter of conjecture. Their fate, as those of their crews, probably will remain unsettled until after the final accounting after the war, it was said. The complete list follows:
Andanic, 13,405 tons, Cunard line.
Ausonia, 8,513 tons, Cunard line.
Georgic, 10,077 tons, White Star line.
Voltaire, 8,125 tons, Lamport & Holt line.
Belle Riphon, 8,954 tons, British steamer.
Belgravian, 5,261 tons, British steamer.
Bayreath, tonnage unknown, British steamer.

DECATUR TO KEEP PHONE EXCHANGE

COMPANY OFFICIAL RECEIVES NO
ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE
COUNCIL ON HIS PLAN.

Decatur intends to keep an exchange of the Southern Bell Telephone Company within her incorporate limits. This was made apparent last night, when Mr. Woodruff, official of the company, appeared before the aldermanic body and received no encouragement when he offered to spend a large sum in improvements, if the city fathers would consent to the removal of the present local exchange in Decatur to Albany, where the new telephone building is completed.
No official action was taken by the council, but it was intimated strongly that the proposition offered by the telephone company would not be satisfactory to the city.

Wet Weather Saves Losses From Fires

The present wet season probably is saving Albany-Decatur hundreds of dollars in losses from fires. December and January generally are the months in which the heaviest fire losses occur, but this year they have been few and far between.
"The rainy weather is giving us a rest," said Sherman Fox, chief of the Decatur department, this morning. "Generally the mid-winter is our busy season, because of the cold and resultant big fires in the stores, but this year the warm and wet season caused our calls to be at a minimum."

PRODUCE HOUSE IS OPENED IN DECATUR

LARGE SHIPMENTS WILL BE COLLECTED HERE AND SENT AWAY.

The Freeman Produce Company is the name of the latest local produce house. The company opened today in the building on Lee street, originally occupied by the Burke garage, and later by other automobile men.
The company plans to make its local house a collection point for produce from all over North Alabama. Branch houses and connections will buy produce in Hartselle, Falkville, Cullman and other cities of this section and send it here for shipment.
"We expect to ship produce bought all over North Alabama," said Charles B. Calloway, one of the managers of the local house today. "We have agencies and connections all over this section and will make the Decatur house the collection point for all produce bought by us. We will ship from here. We are putting in a modern hide vat and otherwise making improvements to care for our present needs."

Original Costumes to Feature Tacky Masque at the Club Tonight

Some original costumes will feature the "tacky" masque ball at the Colonial club tonight, according to rumors in society circles today. Mere man, it is said, will vie with beautiful woman in the selection of eccentric wearing apparel, and much ingenuity will be shown in caricaturing correct dress.
Dancing will begin at 10 o'clock, with music by Varnelle's orchestra. To add to the joys of the occasion, the ladies attending will each come armed with a couple dozen sandwiches.

WILSON STILL HAS HOPE THAT PEACE IS TO COME SOON

President's Optimism is Based On Actual
Information From Berlin and London
Official Sources

ENTENTE REPLY IS NOW BEING AWAITED

Warring Nations May Request U. S. to Guarantee
That Peace Terms Will be
Respected

(International News Service.)
Washington, Jan. 5.—President Wilson still has the highest hopes that peace discussions will result from the steps taken already and about to be taken by the United States.
It was made very clear today by officials in the confidence of the executive that this attitude is based on actual information from Berlin and London and is not merely the expression of hope of success.
The administration is withholding its next step toward securing a discussion of peace until the reply of the entente is received. It is expected at any moment.
Another element was injected into the situation today when it was hinted that one or possibly both of the warring leagues of nations, as negotiations proceed, will call upon the United States to guarantee that the peace terms will be carried out by the nations of Europe. It is too early to state what action the government would take toward this angle of the situation.

IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS RELATING TO PEACE.

(International News Service.)
London, Jan. 5.—Developments of the utmost importance, all bearing upon the peace situation, are taking place in the central empires.
Briefly they are:
1. Emperor Charles of Austria has sent a special embassy to Rome requesting the Pope to take steps for peace, according to news received in London today from a Swiss source.
2. The German emperor has sent Prince Adalbert on a secret mission to Sofia and Constantinople, says an Exchange dispatch from Amsterdam. It is believed that the visit is in connection with peace. The prince is expected back within the next week.
3. The presidents of the parliaments of the central powers have been summoned to Berlin for an important conference.
4. Dutch newspapers report that the rulers of the central powers are to meet in Vienna.
5. A plebiscy session of the Reichstag is to be held in Berlin in the middle of this month, if present plans are carried out.
It is understood that the allies' reply to President Wilson's note will go forward at once and it is reported on what seems to be high authority that Germany may send a second note to the United States. Some persons go so far as to predict that the whole world will know the peace terms of both sides before another week shall have elapsed. Despite the obstacles that seem to block the peace issues, there is a growing trend of opinion that the way will be made much smoother in a short time.

WILSON'S PEACE ATTITUDE POSSIBLY IS RADICAL.

(International News Service.)
Washington, Jan. 5.—Developments to the peace situation in Washington today pointed strongly toward President Wilson adopting a more radical attitude than has been forecasted.
Administration officials close to the president indicated their belief today that the attitude of the administration will be changed gradually to the position of demanding the ending of hostilities on the grounds that the United States and other neutral countries have as deep an interest in the struggle as the nations at war. Congressional administration leaders are known to support this view.

ERNEST THOMPSON RECOVERS FROM A RECENT INJURY.

Ernest Thompson, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson, of West Albany, is recovering from a recent injury sustained at Fayetteville, Tenn., while there with his mother on a visit to the home of relatives. The lad fell and broke his arm for the second time within a few months. The injury did not prove serious, and the boy has returned to school.

ALLIED PEACE TERMS INDICATED BY FORECAST

(International News Service.)
London, Jan. 5.—It was reported today that the concrete terms of the allies would embrace the following demands:
Restoration of Belgium with indemnity; restoration of occupied portions of France with indemnity; restoration of Poland, Serbia and Montenegro; establishment of a protectorate over Armenia by Russia; Constantinople and the Dardanelles to Russia.

NEW SECRETARY TO ARRIVE SATURDAY

W. W. Archibald of Chattanooga, newly appointed secretary of the Albany Chamber of Commerce, will reach here Saturday morning. He advised W. R. Hall, president of the Chamber, to that effect this morning. Mr. Archibald will leave Chattanooga tonight, he wrote.
Members of the civic organization today were enthusiastic over the coming of the new secretary.

SENATE FIGHT NOW IS A PARTY ISSUE

THE HITCHCOCK RESOLUTION IS
SOLIDLY BACKED BY ALL OF
THE DEMOCRATIC LEADERS.

(International News Service.)
Washington, Jan. 5.—The fight in the senate over the Hitchcock resolution endorsing President Wilson's peace note revolved itself today into a clear-cut party issue, with republicans solidly opposing the measure, and democrats as a unit supporting it.
Senator Lodge's warning to the senate not to commit itself to a blanket endorsement of the president's note without official information of the purposes behind it was the signal for the republican senators to unite in opposition to the resolution.
If administration leaders remain firm in their determination to force the resolution to a vote it will be adopted by a safe margin.
There seemed little prospect that the resolution would reach a vote today.
Mr. Tumulty and Mr. Bolling, when informed of Senator Wood's statement, both issued a denial immediately.

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MUSCLE SHOALS EFFECT ALREADY FELT.

How will the location of the government nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals benefit Albany and Decatur? This is a question that is often propounded. It is one suggested by the intervening distance from the Shoals to the Twin Cities. It is the utterance of the careless conversationalist or the chronic knocker.

To attempt to set out fully the vast benefits that will be derived locally from the development of this great water power would require the vision of a prophet and the imagination of a Munchausen. In other words, only unusual capacity for peeping into the future and reading its secrets by a crafty deduction similar to that of the founders of New York or Chicago would entitle any human being to the right to say just what may be expected.

The actual construction of the plant, at an expenditure of many millions of dollars, would place large sums in circulation throughout the Tennessee Valley, and a part of this would be expended here. The marts of trade would feel the effect. This, however, would be a minor consideration. The bigger benefits would come from the generation of cheap electrical power, the influx of capital for manufacturing purposes, and the enhanced productiveness of the soil due to the use of cheaper fertilizers.

Standing at the gateway of the state, nourished and fed by two trunk line railroads and the Tennessee river, Albany and Decatur are the logical sites for the future capital of North Alabama. Factories will come with the development of electric power, for manufacturers will be quick to see the strategic value of the location. Raw material, unbounded natural resources, current with which to drive the wheels, unexcelled transportation facilities, these will work together in harmony for the development of the Queen Cities. Bound together they have the strength of the old man's fagots.

With the announcement yesterday from Birmingham that the Alabama Water Company, successor to the Decatur Water Supply Company, would have headquarters at Albany and would begin development when the Muscle Shoals question is settled is but the first marked augury of future expansion.

Industries will nestle to the Shoals. The possibilities of the future are unlimited.

MARSE HENRY ON OLD AGE.

The peculiar and delightful literary style that has enlightened the editorial page of the Louisville Courier-Journal for the past half century is still the magnet that draws thousands of critical eyes to its columns each morning. Each day there is evidence enough to prove that if the pen fingers of Marse Henry Waterson have lost any of their cunning, it has escaped the attention of most of his readers.

"The Brave Old Days," written in the best style of the old literary master, is the latest editorial from the venerable editor's pen that has attracted attention. "Those were brave times—when we were twenty-one—no heirs and no poor kin, a dollar in hand a princely paltry, and devil take the hindmost!" comments Marse Henry in a reminiscent letter in the Cincinnati Times-Star by Senator Foraker of Ohio. Cicero's essay "De Senectute," a dissertation on age and particularly old age, could not be more delightful than the remainder of the editorial.

"Genuine success in life," remarks Mr. Waterson, after commenting on the fleeting joys of wealth and position, "is happiness. And he is the happy man, the successful man, who makes it his rule whenever he stumps his toe to thank God that he has not broken his neck."

And here is this gem: "The Buckeye boy of 1864 has weathered his three score and ten and begins to fancy that he is an old man. Perish the thought. No man is old until he is being borne to his grave and then he should sit up in his coffin and laugh at the mourners."

The man with an attitude like that toward old age will be very old in years before he is old in mind and body. He is the kind that age cannot wither or custom stale. Here's a toast to Marse Henry!

STATE PRESS VIEWS

TRIAL BALANCE SHEET OF A DEFEATED CANDIDATE.

A defeated candidate in another state gives the following inventory of his campaign losses:

"Lost four months and twenty-three days canvassing; lost 1,340 hours sleep thinking about the election; lost forty-three acres of corn and a whole sweet potato crop. Lost two front teeth and a lot of hair in a personal encounter with opponent. Donated one beef, four pigs and five sheep to country barbecues. Gave away two pairs of suspenders, four calico dresses, five dolls, and seventeen baby rattlers. Kissed 126 babies. Kindled fourteen kitchen fires, put up eight stoves, cut fourteen cords of wood, carried 24 buckets of water, gathered seven loads of corn, pulled 476 bundles of fodder, walked 4,046 miles, shook hands 9,089 times, told 11,216 lies, and talked enough to make in print 1,000 volumes the size of the patent office reports. Attended sixteen revival meetings, was baptized four different times by immersion and twice by some other way; contributed \$50 to foreign missions; made love to nine grass widows; got dog bit thirty-nine times, and then got defeated.—Exchange.

A GOOD LAW.

Under the dog-tax laws of Morgan county, put through the last legislature by Representative Walden, all persons bitten by mad dogs are paid out of the dog fund for medical treatment at the Pasteur Institute at Montgomery. This strikes us as a very good law, and there would be no harm in having it to apply to every county in the state.—Florence Times.

TWO REASONS FOR OMISSION

Forgetful Motorist, Fined for Lack of Tail Light, Didn't Happen to Be Lightning Bug.

"You are charged with not having a tail light," said the magistrate to the motorist.

"Guilty, your honor," answered the motorist, briefly. "How much?"

But the judge could not resist the temptation to deliver a short lecture. "Don't you know," he said, "that it is very dangerous for you to go about at night without a tail light?"

"Certainly."

"Then I hope you won't be guilty of such an offense again."

"So do I, but it is liable to happen."

"Well, sir, why?"

"Because, in the first place, I'm rather forgetful and in the second place, I don't happen to be a lightning bug."

Means Nothing to Him.

"That man with whom you were discussing the eight-hour law didn't seem much impressed."

"No. I discovered the reason later."

"What was it?"

"He's a grocery clerk who works from seven o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock at night and then hurries home to help his wife look after the baby."

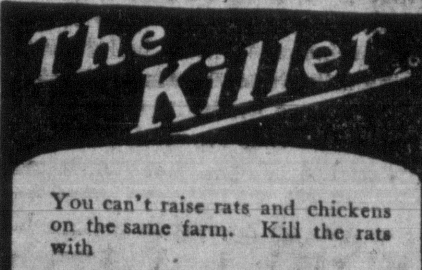
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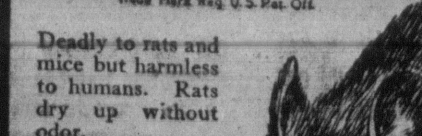
"A moving picture man was out here trying to take some pictures of life on the farm, but he left kinder discouraged."

"Pictures not a success?"

"Not entirely. He couldn't catch the hired man in motion."



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Just In Passing

ROADS VERY MUDDY.

"Some of the dirt roads in Morgan, especially between Albany-Decatur and Hartsville are in fearful condition," said Deputy Sheriff Williams. "Recently when officers started to a point near Valhermosa to make an arrest, they almost had to get out of their auto and go on foot, so deep were the mud holes in some sections. During the summer the dirt roads are all right, but they get mighty bad during the rainy season."

LIKES HIS NEW LOCATION.

"I like my new location very much," said S. M. Thompson, well known druggist who recently moved into his handsome new store on Second avenue. "I thought I had a good stand at my old store, but of course I like the corner the best. Then, too, it is good to get into a practically all-new place."

SOME SERVICE.

"I will have to hand it to the Daily's job department," said City Clerk Henry Hartung. "The other night at the council meeting I discovered that I was entirely out of envelopes. I gave the copy for another 500 to one of the Daily men and asked that they be printed as soon as possible. He told me he would be sure and have them ready the next day, but I was really surprised when soon after I came down to the office a guy walked in with the whole lot. That is certainly service."

WILL MAKE HIS HOME HERE.

"I have moved my family to Decatur and will make this my home now," said James L. Draper, circuit court clerk-elect. Mr. Draper has served several years as office deputy under Sheriff Forman and has many friends here. "I like Albany-Decatur very much and I am sure my family will too. One of my sons will be associated in my office with me."

CANE SYRUP IS THERE.

"There is nothing else to it, ribbon cane syrup from down in Tallapoosa county just cannot be beaten," said Ernest Walker. "I recently received a shipment of several cans from my old home and everybody who has tasted that Tallapoosa brand of ribbon cane was strong for it. Some of them wanted me to order some for them."

CITIES WIDE AWAKE.

"The two cities of Albany and Decatur, Alabama, are certainly wide awake," said John E. Ellis, of Birmingham. "I was deeply impressed with the business men and the general business atmosphere that exists in this section of North Alabama. With the development of the natural resources that abound in this county the Twin Cities would be the leading cities in this state in a few years."

DAILY A REAL PAPER.

"The Albany-Decatur Daily has grown to be a real sure enough paper," said Mrs. Alex Humphrey. "Of course it has always been one of the best that have been edited here, but it is becoming better every day. I believe it is one of the best little papers in Alabama."

LOST WITHOUT DAILY.

"I am lost without my Daily," said A. H. Garnett over the phone last night. "I always enjoy looking over the paper every afternoon, and since I moved my store I have missed three issues. Please see that I receive the next issue, as I carry it home and my wife takes as much interest in it as I do."

TO HAVE GOOD FERRY.

"Albany will have the best ferry on the Tennessee river when the one now under construction is completed," said Stanley Green. "We thought that the finishing touches would have been applied by this time, but the clutch was not strong enough and another had to be ordered. The new ferry is modern in every detail and will be in operation as soon as possible."

WEATHER IS QUEER.

"What do you think about this weather?" inquired E. M. Odum. "This is funny weather for January. I am sure that we can look out for a wind storm or some kind of bad weather, as warm spells like this one are usually forerunners of a fierce wind."

MOULTON IS SOME TOWN.

"Sure I like Moulton, it's a mighty good town," said Leslie Doss, who has charge of the Ory-Cohen store there, and who has just returned after a visit to his parents here. "The citizenship of Moulton is made up of good people. I like them very much. It's not so large as some cities in Alabama, but everybody appears to find plenty of amusement in out-of-business hours."

GLAD TO SEE MILLS.

"I am glad to see the small industries opening business here," said R. P. McEntire, as he looked at the

new Webster mill, being completed at the foot of Bank street. "We need all of the industries we can get. We hardly realize how much the small payrolls count in making up the monthly total. All of them are great assets and should be encouraged in every way possible. We should stand ready to welcome them with open arms."

INSURANCE IS VALUABLE.

"Few young men realize what a great asset insurance is to them," said Julian Bibb. "When I was a very young man I took out a policy and my only regret is that I did not make it just twice what I did. Young men, more than any other, would do a wise thing if they insured themselves for every cent possible. In later years they will begin to see how valuable it is to them."

LONGS FOR THE CHANGE.

"I certainly wish the postal department would take some kind of action toward changing the name of the postoffice here," said Andrew G. Patterson. "The mix-up over Albany and New Decatur is causing much inconvenience to citizens. I am sure that Uncle Sam could do nothing that would please the citizens here more than by eliminating New Decatur from the postal map and placing Albany in its stead. Mail addressed to Albany apparently is going everywhere else in the world before reaching here."

CATS THAT ARE REAL CATS.

"Talk about your mice-catching cats, we have them 'round here at the fire department," said Sox Sorber, for many years popular chief of the Albany fire department. "We have two that are real slayers of the rodent family. If one of the felines spies a rat too large for her to handle, she gives a high sign to her running mate and the r. m. jumps on the victim also. Seriously, however, these two cats do work together on this rat-catching business and we firemen have seen them catch one together."

CAPITAL IS NEEDED.

"The need of capital with which to develop the natural resources of this section becomes more and more apparent every day," said Judge William E. Skeggs. "There are few communities that are blessed with more of nature's gifts than North Alabama is. We have all kinds of minerals and the best farming section in the world. Yet we need the money with which to develop these things. We need big money. We need men whose incomes run into the five and six figures. When we get them the future of this country is assured."

MACHINE TO BE POPULAR.

"Automobiles will be more popular than ever this summer, according to all indications," said Atsury Malloy. "The coming of good roads and the prosperous condition of the country will cause the sale of cars to show big gains. Of course a large number of machines are sold during the winter, but it is more than hard for the persons not owning them to resist the call of the wild when the springtime comes."

WOLCOTT OPTIMISTIC.

"I think Mr. Archibald will make the Chamber of Commerce a very valuable man," said R. H. Wolcott, well-known real estate dealer and former mayor of Albany. "He comes here with the best of recommendations and he certainly impresses one as being a man of great strength and influence. I am very enthusiastic over our outlook."

RIVER IS RISING.

Chattanooga, Jan. 5.—(Special).—The Tennessee river is rising and will reach a crest of 16 feet by Monday. The U. S. weather bureau report follows:

At Chattanooga, gauge 15.8; rain; precipitation, .44.

At Bridgeport, gauge 8; rain; precipitation, .61.

At Guntersville, gauge 14; rain; precipitation, .40.

Semi-Annual Statement
The MORGAN COUNTY
NATIONAL BANK

ALBANY, ALA.

December 30, 1916

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES.
Loans and Discounts.....\$313,042.78	Capital Stock.....\$100,000.00
Overdrafts.....15.96	Surplus and Profits.....52,181.27
U. S. Bonds.....50,000.00	Semi-Annual Dividend No. 28.....4,000.00
Alabama Bonds.....5,000.00	Reserved for Interest.....641.81
Fed. Reserve Bank Stock.....3,600.00	Circulation.....50,000.00
Revenue Stamps.....37.26	Deposits.....459,296.01
Building and Fixtures.....29,052.39	
Real Estate.....1,681.50	
Five Per Cent Fund.....2,500.00	
Cash and due from Banks.....267,188.20	
	\$666,119.09
	\$666,119.09

LOVE'S TEST



"Does he love her?"
"Does he love her? Didn't he march with her in the suffragette parade?"

BUNGALOWS



(Looking over number of architect's designs.) "Ah! that's pretty! What is that?"
"That is a fifteen-hundred-dollar bungalow."

"What will it cost to build?"
"About eight thousand dollars."

TIME TO DO IT



Bouncery—I called that noisy kid over there, and he said "youth must have its fling."

Boss—Then fling him.

ONLY PARTIAL SUPPORT



First Financier—Do you subscribe to the platform of your party this year?

Second Financier—Not as much as the managers wanted.

If you need a clerk, salesman, stenographer or any kind of help, the quickest way is a Daily want ad.

WANTS

HELP WANTED, REAL ESTATE and HOMES FOR SALE, LOST or FOUND, LOANS ETC. All Want Ads Cash in Advance.

No advertisement taken for less than 25 cents
25 words, 1 time..... 25c
25 words, 3 times..... 50c
25 words, 1 week..... \$1.00
25 words, 1 mo..... \$3.00
50 words, 1 time..... 50c
50 words, 3 times..... \$1.00
50 words, 1 week..... \$2.00
50 words, 1 mo..... \$6.00

We are PREPARED to make desirable FARM LOANS in amounts above \$5,000 in MORGAN, LIMESTONE, and LAWRENCE counties at an average rate of 7%; there are NO COSTS in addition to this rate, such as commission, recording, application or inspection fees. W. A. Bibb & Son, Phone 328, Albany, Ala. 5-6t

LOST—Open-face Ingersoll watch, on Albany school ground, or on Fourth avenue, south. Finder please return to Ralph Thurman, 1306 Sixth avenue and receive reward. 5-11

\$10.00 REWARD will be paid for the recovery of a heavy gold bar pin on which was fastened a horseshoe studded with diamonds. The pin was lost Sunday afternoon on either Eighth avenue, east, Grant street or Riverview avenue, between Grant street and the river. Bring the pin to the Daily office or to 907 Eighth avenue, east. 4-3t

\$100,000—To loan in \$500, \$750, \$500 and up to \$10,000 at 7 percent interest on Decatur-Albany and North Alabama farm property for five years, with privilege of renewal. Jan. 4 to 19. J. A. Thornhill.

WANTED—Agent to sell industrial, life, health and accident insurance. Good commission contract for the right man. Apply over Central National Bank, room No. 9. J. M. Thompson. 5-3t

WANTED—Settled colored woman to do general housework, one who wants permanent position. See Mrs. Price at The Tavern or phone Albany 193. 4-3t

MRS. SANDERS' school for little folks will open January 8 at 9 o'clock at her residence, 504 Gordon Drive. Parents wishing to enter pupils are requested to notify Mrs. Sanders as soon as possible. 4-3t

WANTED—To rent, two or three rooms for light housekeeping in or near Decatur. Address Box No. 3, Decatur, Ala. 4-3t

LOST—White fox terrier, about ten months old, marked with large brown spots on head and body, long tail and ears. Return to Barrett Shelton, Albany-Decatur Daily, and collect reward that awaits you on information that leads to return of animal. 30-1t

FOR SALE—Five fresh Jersey cows. Call at 401 Sherman street if you wish to see them. 5-3t

For Steam Heated Flats, Phone 294. 16-1t

FLAT FOR RENT—Seven-room, newly overhauled, modern conveniences, \$8 per month. Call W. B. Edmundson. Phone Albany 124. 18-1t

BARGAINS—I have two 5-acre tracts with new cottages, and also two 5-acre tracts with no improvements, in West Town. Installments. E. H. Allison. 20-1t

SIX PER CENT MONEY on well improved homes; repaid by monthly installments. E. H. Allison. 7-4t

WOOD FOR SALE—Heater or stove wood. Call Wilder Place, 124, New Decatur. M 3-1vt

REAL ESTATE OWNERS—Thornhill will loan you any amount for five years at 7%; collect rentals for 4%, write fire and life insurance, and sell your farm or home. Office 6013 Second avenue.

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Ear Corn
Shelled Corn
Oats and Shucks
ANY QUANTITY
Lyle-Taylor Grain Co.
Phone 194 Decatur

Old Papers for Sale at Daily office.

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Phone Albany 327-J.
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Any Kind of Hauling
Done on Short Notice
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FOR RENT
5-room cottage, 201 3rd St., West.
5-room house, 1206 3rd Ave., South.
5-room house, 1210 3rd Ave., South.
6-room cottage, 720 2nd Ave.
Money to loan on good security.

CAIN & WOLCOTT
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE
JOHNSTON STREET
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7 PER CENT MONEY TO LOAN
\$25,000 on first class improved business or residence property in the city of Albany, for term of years with easy payments; money is ready on approved title. Phone 274. W. J. Nesbit, Decatur, Ala. 1-6t

Highest Cash Prices
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Furs and Hides
Hide & Tallow Company

ARE YOU GUILTY?

A FARMER carrying an express package from a big mail-order house was accosted by a local dealer:

"Why didn't you buy that bill of goods from me? I could have saved you the express, and besides you would have been patronizing a home store, which helps pay the taxes and builds up this locality."

The farmer looked at the merchant a moment and then said:

"Why don't you patronize your home paper and advertise? I read it and didn't know that you had the stuff I have here."

MORAL—ADVERTISE

SAME KIND OF TALK



"Who was that man who was talking so loudly just now?"
"Eh? Don't you know him? Well, well! Couldn't you tell by his tall who he was?"
"No, I couldn't tell whether he was a pugilist or a politician."

GREAT



"I wish I lived in Greenland."
"What for?"
"With a night of six months ahead of you, it must be great to think that there is 'nothing to do until tomorrow.'"

VERY



"Has your new novel a happy ending?"
"Very. The judge awards my heroine fifty thousand dollars a year all money in the closing chapter."

YOUNG BEGINNER



"I am working my way through college."
"Brave girl! How do you earn money?"
"Well, father gives me \$10 for every singing lesson I don't take."

HORRID THING



"Little Sister—Say, sis, I was teaching Johnny Jones how to make love this afternoon. I watched you and your beau last night, and I know just how to do it."

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THE OLD YEAR.

(By Josh Wink.)

We bid good-bye to thee, Old Year,
But not with sad regret;
For long the scars of thy sore wounds
Will be upon us yet.
A record thine of blood and woe,
Of nations in fierce strife,
The greater ones for world control,
The weaker ones, for life.

Thou hast kept arms in men's gripped hands,
The tears in women's eyes,
The dread in little children's hearts,
Death rattles in their cries;
Lands hast thou swept of homes and crops,
Where toll contented reigned,
Thou hast brought flame to scorch and kill,
With blood the soil hast stained.

Across the seas thy direful work
Hast planted seeds of hate
In fearful deeds and wrath to come
To live and germinate.
O fearful year, O fatal year!
Pass from our shuddering sight!
God grant the year which waits its birth
May bless where thou didst blight.

MR. AND MRS. CLYDE HENDRIX ENTERTAIN AT HOTEL LYONS.

For Mrs. R. E. Oliver, the guest of Mrs. J. T. Jones, and Mrs. J. A. Cullom, the guest of Mrs. W. N. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hendrix entertained with a dinner party at the Hotel Lyons Thursday evening. The table decorations were white and crimson carnations at either end of the table. Cards were placed for Mrs. Jno. A. Thomason, Mrs. Geo. Williamson, Mrs. Ned Polhill, Mrs. R. E. Roper, Mrs. J. T. Jones, Mrs. A. J. Harris, Mrs. R. E. Oliver, Mrs. Foster H. Pointer, Mrs. W. N. Hall, Mrs. Clyde Hendrix. The hostess, Mrs. Hendrix, was attractively gowned in green satin, interspersed with bronze satin; Mrs. R. E. Oliver wore gray chiffon, the developments were of silver lace and embroidery; Mrs. J. A. Cullom was gowned in beautiful green satin that showed a front and vest of metal lace. To each honoree was presented a corsage of carnations. The party attended the shadow drama later.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE CENTRAL M. E. CHURCH.

The Auxiliary of the Missionary Society is composed of young women who met with Mrs. Brentz Preult on Thursday afternoon. The meeting opened with a short devotional on "Personal Responsibilities."

Topic, "From California to Florida"—Miss Naida Vohlers.
Address, "Girlhood of Japan"—Miss Edith Goodman.

An election of officers was held with the following result:
President—Miss Imogene Winton.
First Vice President—Mrs. H. Motes.
Second Vice President—Miss Cleo Lovin.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Julia Morris.
Recording Secretary—Miss Edith Goodman.

Treasurer—Miss Helen Higdon.
Supt. Publicity—Miss Gladys Kerr.
Supt. Social Service—Miss Naida Vohlers.

Supt. Supplies—Mrs. E. Brannum.
Reporter—Miss Birdie Mae Mangrum.

At the close refreshments were served.

ENTERTAINS AT ROOK.

Mrs. Coppage entertained at rook last evening at her home on Church street, complimentary to her mother, Mrs. Sallie Myers, of Glasgow, Ky., and Miss Blanche Kelley, of Cincinnati.

Mrs. S. C. Marks is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. R. B. Graves, in Decatur.

Mrs. W. B. Speake is suffering a severe attack of grip.

Mrs. C. C. Smith has returned to Bowling Green, Ky., after visiting her niece, Mrs. Foster H. Pointer.

Mrs. D. F. Green is quite ill at her home on Sherman street.

Mrs. S. W. Haas, of Lauda, Ga., and son, are visiting in Decatur.

Mrs. Chas. Eyster will leave for Selma next week to visit Mrs. Law Lamar, Jr.

PRIVATE DANCING LESSONS.

Miss Mary Williams will give private dancing lessons at the residence of Mrs. R. E. Sanders, Gordon Drive, during the next two weeks. Hours, 9 to 12 a. m., and 1 to 6 p. m. Call 320-W, Albany.

CLUB CALENDAR.

Thursday.
D. A. R.—Mrs. Fred Hunt.
Book Club.—Mrs. R. E. Sanders.
Friday.
Auction Bridge.—
School Improvement.—Mrs. W. A. Curry.
Saturday.
Silk Stocking Club.—
Saturday Club.—Mrs. Wm. Steed.

MRS. EZEEL, A BRIDGE HOSTESS.

Miss Onie Field, of Gurley, Ala., and Miss Mulligan, of Columbia, Tenn., shared honors last evening when Mrs. Ezeel entertained at bridge for them. Three tables were arranged in the prettily decorated reception suite, and in the game Miss Mulligan and Mr. McKnight made top score. The honorees were each presented a bottle of Ezeel's toilet water. A blooming narcissus was cut for at each table. At the conclusion of the game a dainty salad course was served. The hostess was aided by Miss Lola McKnight.

Mrs. T. L. Hutchens, of Birmingham, was the guest Thursday of Mrs. John Terry.

Mrs. R. E. Oliver and children returned to Guntersville today.

PERSONALS

Chas. H. Pulley, of Huntsville, retiring clerk of the circuit court of Huntsville, will be the host at a farewell banquet tonight at Huntsville, to which he has invited a number of lawyers and officials. Solicitor D. C. Almon will be among the guests from the Twin Cities.

Judge Thomas W. Wert, of the Morgan county law and equity court, is in South Alabama today on business.

W. R. Shelton continues quite ill at his home on Sixth avenue.

Harold Gray returned to Memphis Thursday, after spending the holidays with homefolks.

James Herndon and son, Newman, accompanied by Thos. Prosser, have returned from Lawrence county, where they have been hunting for ten days.

Hotels of 3 States Raise Their Rates

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 5.—A minimum rate of \$2.50 a day now will greet the transient guest in the American plan hotels of Missouri, Oklahoma and Kansas. In hotels operating under the European plan prices will be increased for both rooms and meals.

Increase in the cost of foodstuffs and all hotel supplies that vary from 40 to 200 per cent are to blame, the hotel keepers say.

Name Stenographers For Probate Office

Misses Grace Warner and Bessie Transue have been appointed stenographers in the office of the probate judge, succeeding Misses Gertrude Burns and Tula Dunnivant, according to announcement today. The appointments become effective January 15.

BELIEVE ME



First Farmer—I see the Hawks are getting a party pretentious library.

Second Farmer—Yep. One hundred and fourteen mail-order catalogues, forty-four on farm implements, and two hundred and thirty-five railway folders is enough to make any man's home complete.

Letters Urge Skeggs to Get in the Race

Letters from every part of the state continue to be received by Probate Judge William E. Skeggs, urging him to make the race for lieutenant governor of Alabama. The Alabama Courier, published at Athens, this week after praising Judge Skeggs as a fit candidate for the high state office, called on him to run for governor. "I feel very much flattered by the way in which my friends over Alabama have taken my possible candidacy," said Judge Skeggs, "and whether I make the race or not, the memory of their kind expressions will always remain with me."

Tax Collections Still Good, Robertson Says

Collection of taxes in Morgan county is proceeding rapidly now, Tax Collector Robertson said today. Collections are far ahead of the same period last year. People are paying up very much quicker, Mr. Robertson says. Other officials also report better collections this year.

New Labor Measure Tested in the Courts

(International News Service.)
Denver, Jan. 5.—To test the state law which requires that 30 days' notice be given by employees to the state industrial commission before a strike can be called on any proposition relating to wages or hours, employers of six mines near Frederick will strike tomorrow, and then demand a wage increase of between 15 and 20 per cent.

Postmistresses Get the Most Recruits

(International News Service.)
Washington, Jan. 5.—The postmistress in a town of less than 500 inhabitants is setting the recruiting pace for the country.

The war office learned today that Miss Vina Mullinix, who presides over Uncle Sam's mails at Wilder, Tenn., secured six new soldiers for the army. Miss Mullinix gets a reward of \$30.

Decatur Man Given Position With State

J. L. Dismore, of Decatur, now is a draughtsman in the office of the state highway engineering department. He was appointed by W. S. Keller, Alabama highway engineer, and has assumed his new duties. Mr. Dismore is an Auburn graduate.

CHARLES D. MAHAFFIE



Charles D. Mahaffie of Portland, Ore., has arrived in Washington and has been sworn in as solicitor of the interior department. He is known throughout his native state as a prominent attorney and a good mixer.

MASONIC and STAR SATURDAY JAN. 6TH

JESSE L. LASKY Presents

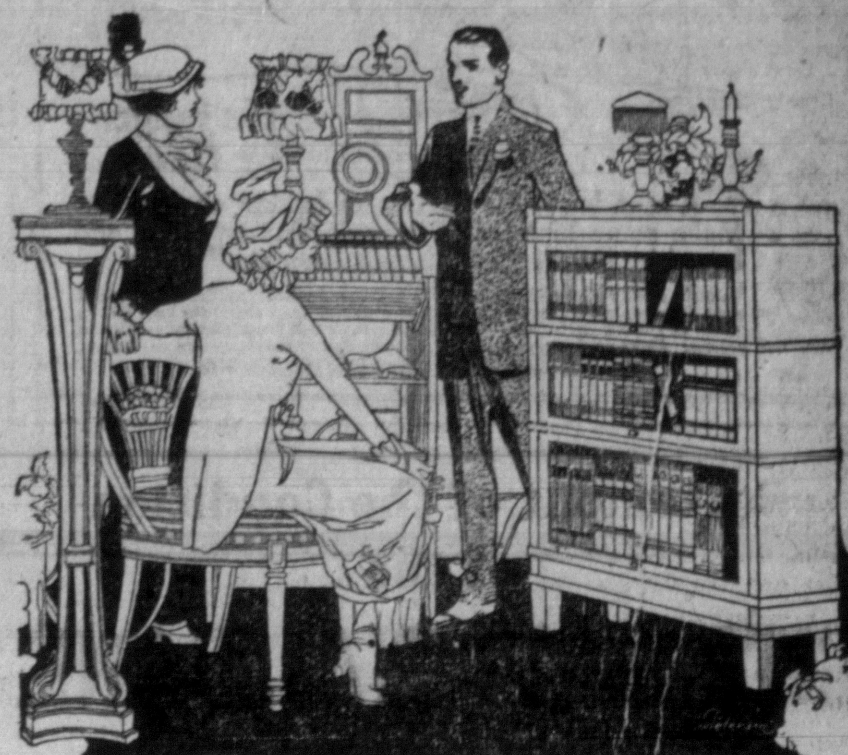
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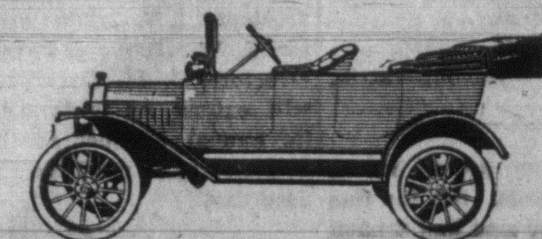
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Stung!

"There must be some mistake in my examination marking. I don't think I deserve an absolute zero," complained the student.
"Neither do I," agreed the instructor, "but it's the lowest mark I'm allowed to give."

Keeping Friends.

"This poet speaks about keeping friends with oneself. That sounds nonsensical to me."
"Not at all. Didn't you ever call yourself names?"
"Yes."
"And why? Because you had done something of which you did not approve."

Delicately Eliminated.

"How did you get Mrs. Bounce out of your bridge club? Did you ask her to resign?"
"No, we didn't like to do that, but we all resigned except Mrs. Bounce, and then we all got together and formed a new club."

Reaching Out.

"We need a few more rough and ready spellbinders," said the campaign manager.
"Why, surely you don't discount the efforts of our polished orators?"
"Certainly not. But we need some speakers with an up-to-date vocabulary of slang. We've got to appeal to all classes of voters, you know."

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Brock & Spight Co., Distributors, Decatur, Ala.

Statement of the Condition of the CITY NATIONAL BANK

DECATUR, ALABAMA

At the Close of Business Dec. 27, 1916

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and Discounts.....\$622,939.13	Capital Stock.....\$200,000.00
Acceptances Discounted.... 105,000.00	Surplus..... 10,000.00
Overdrafts..... 172.43	Undivided Profits..... 20,875.47
U. S. Bonds..... 200,000.00	Circulation..... 200,000.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank..... 6,300.00	Bills Payable..... 90,000.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures..... 17,973.00	Bills Rediscounted..... 136,042.06
Due from U. S. Treasurer... 10,000.00	Deposits..... 498,649.82
Cash and Due from Banks... 193,182.79	
\$1,155,567.35	\$1,155,567.35

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.
State of Alabama, Morgan County.
Probate Court, December 22, 1916.
Estate of Albert McDonald, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that Anna McDonald, as administratrix of the estate of Albert McDonald, has filed her accounts and vouchers for the final settlement of her administration of said estate and that the 13th day of January, 1917, has been set as the day for hearing such settlement, at which time you can appear and contest said settlement.

WM. E. SKEGGS,
D 22-29 J 5 Judge of Probate

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR.

Jas. T. Wade, Deceased, Estate of. Probate Court, Morgan County.
Letters of administration upon the estate of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned on the 29th day of December, 1916, by the Hon. Wm. E. Skeggs, Judge of the Probate Court of Morgan county, notice is hereby given, that all persons having claims against said estate will be required to present the same within the time allowed by the law, or that the same will be barred.

MARY L. WADE,
D 29 J 5-12 Administratrix.

Strangers get your social rating from your calling cards. See the line of engraved cards for men and women at the Daily office. We keep up with the styles.

Local Stars May Get Call to Big League

Local people are in receipt of letters from a prominent baseball man asking about several members of last year's Y. M. C. A. baseball club. Among the youngsters under the eyes of organized baseball scouts are Frohoff, Baker and Halbrooks. Baker already has had some professional experience, playing a part of the season of 1915 with Valdosta, in the Georgia-Alabama league.

It is said "Red" Roberts, star south-paw of the aggregation, will sign with Birmingham this year. It is known that Molesworth, the Baronial chieftain, has made inquiries regarding the sorrel-topped hurler.

Police Warn Business Men to Pay Licenses

Members of the Decatur police force today were warning business and professional men to pay their city licenses at once and gave further costs. Licenses are due the first of the year and will be delinquent soon.

"We prefer to warn persons subject to license to pay rather than take other action," said Chief Carriger, "but we must collect immediately."

Woman Prosecutes Alleged Bomb Artists

(International News Service.)
San Francisco, Jan. 5.—Counsel today began their summing up of arguments in the case of Franz Bopp, German consul general, and six aides charged with violating the neutrality of the United States by German bomb plots. Mrs. Annette Williams, chief assistant to United States Attorney John Preston, the first woman prosecutor to plead so important a case in court, was the first attorney to begin addressing the jury.

Fat Man Sat By Him; Asks \$5,000 Damages

(International News Service.)
Sherman, Texas, Jan. 4.—If a man weighing 250 pounds crushes down beside you in a day coach of a passenger train, are you entitled to damages from the railroad company? This question will be decided in the courts here. A. W. Smith, according to a complaint filed in the circuit court, was a passenger on a Missouri, Kansas & Texas passenger train when a great, big fat man settled himself down in the same seat the affiant occupied. Not only did the fat man "muss up" the clothing of the petitioner, but he ruffled his feelings, causing him deep humiliation and chagrin, for all of which Smith says he is entitled to \$5,000.

U. S. Minister Will Be Withdrawn Soon

(International News Service.)
Washington, Jan. 5.—The state department today received a request of Germany for the withdrawal from Bucharest of Chas. J. Vopicks, American minister. It was indicated at the department that the request would be complied with. With the Dutch minister, Mr. Vopicka was the last representative of neutrals and of the warring powers in Bucharest.

Business or professional cards, printed or engraved. The Daily.

WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS EXPECTED

U. S. EXPEDITIONARY FORCE WILL BE TAKEN FROM MEXICO SLOWLY.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—Gradual withdrawal of the American troops in Mexico is confidently expected to be the next step in the Mexican situation.

It will be necessary to bring the troops out slowly, army officers said, for strategic reasons.

The formal wind-up of the affairs of the American-Mexican commission is expected daily. It is believed if the troops are once out of Mexico and the substance of Carranza's objection to the protocol is removed, a suggestion from him that the commission be re-formed and its sessions continued for the discussion of other points of differences will be forthcoming. However, it is doubtful if it will be accepted.

MERCHANTS TOLD TO CLEAN STORES

POLICE FORCE SERVES NOTICE THAT CELLARS MUST BE KEPT CLEAN.

Albany policemen today are concluding serving a personal notice on every merchant in the city that their stores must be kept clean of trash. In the cellars of some of the establishments, particularly, it is said there has been a great accumulation of debris during the holiday rush.

Dirty cellars, insurance men declare, is one of the worst enemies of low fire rates. Mayor Payne ordered the police force to visit every business establishment and inform the owners that the cellars must be cleaned up immediately or the business men would have to face "His Honor."

DAUGHTER SEES HER FATHER KILL SELF

J. WESLEY DRINKARD, OF HARTSELLE, BLOWS HEAD OFF, FOLLOWING LONG ILLNESS.

Hartselle, Ala., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Before his horror-stricken daughter could interfere, J. Wesley Drinkard, member of a prominent Morgan county family, blew his brains out at his home here late yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Drinkard had been in ill health many months and despondency caused the act.

Yesterday he obtained possession of a shotgun and while his daughter looked on, placed the barrel to his head and pulled the trigger. Half the side of his head was blown away.

Interment will be made at Somerville. Mr. Drinkard was 63 years of age.

J. L. Day has purchased the interest of his partner in the firm of Day & Barcliff and in the future will conduct the business here under his own name.

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Good News! I will be one of the most talked of figures in town for the month of January!
J. C. O.